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INTRODUCTORY_COMMENTS

In response to the final office action dated August 22, 2006 received in the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of the application based on the following amendments and remarks.